

Virginia Tech Hokies vs. Syracuse Orange Postgame Notes Jan. 7, 2020 Carrier Dome | Syracuse, New York

FINAL SCORE: Virginia Tech 67, Syracuse 63

### **RECORDS AND NOTABLES**

- Virginia Tech improves to 11-4 overall and 2-2 in ACC play.
- Tech is now 2-1 on the road in ACC play, including the 67-60 victory over Clemson in the season opener on Nov. 5.
- This is the Hokies first ever win over Syracuse in the Carrier Dome and second time ever beating the Orange on the road (92-81 win in 1975). It was Tech's second win in the Dome, defeating Fairield in a neutral-site game in 2000.
- The Hokies are now tied for sixth place in the ACC standings with Duke, Virginia, Florida State, Louisville and Boston College being the only teams ahead of Tech.
- Syracuse leads Tech in the all-time series 9-5. The Hokies have won three out of the last four, including the 78-56 win in 2018, when Justin Robinson had a historic night with 35 points, the single-game school record nine 3s and became the all-time assist leader at Tech.
- **UP NEXT:** The Hokies will return to Blacksburg to face NC State on Saturday, Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. at Cassell Coliseum.

#### **TEAM NOTES**

- Virginia Tech went with Wabissa Bede, Tyrece Radford, P.J. Horne, Landers Nolley II, and Nahiem Alleyne in their starting five. This is game No. 13 that Tech has gone with these five out of the gate.
- **KEY FIRST HALF RUN:** With just two minutes of action remaining in the first Tech was behind 30-19 when sophomore Hunter Cattoor and freshman Nahiem Alleyne each nailed a triple. Guard Tyrece Radford finished off a back door lay in to cut into the lead while Syracuse went into the break with a 33-27 advantage.
- **KEY SECOND HALF RUN:** The Hokies were trailing 37-42 with 10:43 left in the second when freshman Jalen Cone hit from downtown to cut the lead to just two points. Redshirt freshman Landers Nolley then had a steal and plus the slam followed by a four point play from Cone to give Tech a 46-44 lead. The Hokies never looked back and led from this point on its way to winning 67-63.

### **INDIVIDUAL NOTES**

### **Jalen Cone**

• Cone registered his career high in points with 19 and tied his career best in 3-pointers made with five on the night.

# **Tyrece Radford**

• Radford grabbed nine rebounds against Syracuse and now has 34 boards over his last five contests. Radford has secured seven or more rebounds in eight games this season.

## **Landers Nolley**

• Nolley scored 13 points against the Orange, which is game No. 13 that he has reached double-figures in scoring.

### P.J. Horne

 Horne scored 12 points against the Orange, marking his fifth game this season where he has reached double-figures.

## **Wabissa Bede**

• Bede dished out eight assists in the win over Syracuse. Bede now has eight or more assists in four game this season and ranks third in the ACC in assists with a 6.1 average.